

RE: Request for PM Call from Michigan Gov. Gretchen Whitmer

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No call yet! Last I heard late last night, WSHDC HOM's office was in touch with Ottawa on this, and it was possible we would offer the Ambassador instead of the PM. I haven't received any updates/direction today from above me – also no chasing from Governor Whitmer's office.

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Hi Kirsten,

Just following up to see if there was a call with MI Gov and if so is there a readout to share with us?

Thanks, Christine

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To flag ahead of calls with Ottawa this afternoon and for DTROT HOM's information that Kirsten Kazlauskas was contacted by Governor Whitmer's DC office a short while ago. They requested a call with the Prime Minister and subsequently emailed the request, below. Kirsten said during her chat with Whitmer's office that they shared the Governor connected with Ambassador Cohen on the issue, and referenced that the Governor's legal counsel has been active on this issue. Copied on the exchange below with Kirsten is the Governor's Chief of Staff and Scheduling Director with hopes that a call can be scheduled today or asap.

Grateful for any guidance regarding next steps. Kirsten can stickhandle this, keeping DTROT and others in the loop.

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Subject: Follow-up: Call Request

Kirsten –

Great to connect with you moments ago and appreciate your focus on the Ambassador Bridge situation. As discussed, Governor Whitmer has requested to connect with Prime Minister Trudeau today on the serious issue of the trucker convoy protest, which is severely impacting workers and businesses especially across our state.

I'm copying my two colleagues – Chief of Staff JoAnne Huls and Scheduling Director Terry Krinvic – to this email as well. They'll have the best eyeline on the Governor's schedule to connect on this important matter.

Many thanks,
Patty

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